

I wonder how the integration of all waiver programs will impact the waiting list issue. Aging has no waiting lists for waiver services because of a past court case. I know there are tremendous waiting lists for DORs services; will aging now encounter the same delays in getting service?

I welcome the notion of accessing benefits through a single door rather than the current system of separate applications. We can also see a “family’s needs rather than just individual needs with integration.

Unfortunately, as I was speaking with a staff member from ACL last week and it appears that Illinois is one of the only states that does not have waiting lists for older adults, we are also one of many integration projects that have ignored the aging network in contracting for services. The hope was that the network would remain a vital part of coordinated care.



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